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TITLE OF INVENTION: VASCULAR FILTER HAVING ARTICULATION REGION AND METHODS OF USE IN THE ASCENDING AORTA

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